

Queensland Health

Beyond a short trial: Exploring the sustainability of allied health expanded scope models of care

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Allied health models of care



Funded projects	Sites
Allied health paediatric outpatient service initiative	2
Allied health professional ENT service model	6
Expansion of dysphagia telepractice – speech pathology	15
Vestibular collaborative (physiotherapy only)	8
Primary contact physiotherapy in the ED	9
Primary contact occupational therapy hand clinic	9
Physiotherapy-led pelvic health clinic	10
Vestibular collaborative (physiotherapy and audiology)	14

Findings

- 48 models successfully established
- 6 models discontinued
- 32 did not commence (spoke sites, limited/no funding)

Enablers	
Collaborative approach	Support for the model
PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS	Culture of INNOVATION and OPPORTUNITY
Succession planning	RESOURCE availability (FUNDING / SPACE)
Measuring outcomes / selling successes	Sustainable education and training
Sustainable education programs	Flexible model
Challenges	
Lack of support for the new model	Competing priorities (limited access to FUNDING)
Lack of clinic SPACE (co-located clinics)	Site readiness
Limited succession planning	Education and training needs

